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Truckers may protect highways

WASHINGTON

— Teamsters President James Hoffa said Friday he would ask the 500,000 truck operators covered by his union to take part in a grass-roots homeland security effort to look for suspicious activity on the roads.

Starving N. Koreans eating grass to survive

BEIJING, China

— A severe shortage of food aid is forcing hungry North Koreans to scrounge for grass and seaweed, the United Nations says. Warning of a new threat of famine in the communist country, the U.N.'s World Food Program says hundreds of thousands of North Koreans are abandoning work and school in a desperate effort to stave off hunger.

Operation Mountain Lion nets detainees, ammo

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BAGRAM AIR BASE, Afghanistan—U.S. Special Operations Forces continued with Operation Mountain Lion patrols in south-eastern Afghanistan and captured five personnel who were found with a weapons cache near Gardez Saturday morning.

The cache consisted of seven

cases of 82mm mortar rounds, eight rocket propelled grenades, anti-tank mines, two 107mm rockets, a recoilless rifle and several small arms.

The five detainees will remain under coalition control until they are identified and their status clarified, according to Col. Roger L. King, Coalition Joint Task Force 180 public affairs officer.

Six caves were also discovered

near Kahriz, containing approximately 5,000 82mm mortar rounds. Most were not operational and subsequently destroyed.

Special Operations Forces also observed two rockets explode a kilometer away from their position near Lwara. No shots were fired and no casualties reported.

Five more working rockets were also found and destroyed.



Photos by Spc. LaTorry Sidney

Total Praise

The Protestant Gospel service at Bagram Air Base hosted a gospel extravaganza, the first of its kind held at the base. The program took place Friday evening at the Viper City Dining Facility. Above, motivational words are rendered as the choir looks on. At right, 1st Lt. Robin Colon performs a praise dancing routine.



CJCMOTF helps re-open high school

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KABUL, Afghanistan—The excitement shined in the eyes of young students at the Sultan Razia High School here during its recent re-opening ceremony honoring school officials and the Coalition Joint Civil-Military Operations Task Force, which provided funding for the war-damaged school refurbishing project.

Sultan Razia High School, located in the southwest sector of Kabul, was devastated during heavy civil war fighting over recent

British troops prepare to leave Afghanistan

Operation Jacana ending July 4

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BAGRAM AIR BASE, Afghanistan – British troops are going home after their 90-day deployment plan is completed, according to Dr. Lewis Mooney, the British Under Secretary of State for Defense.

The deployment, dubbed as Operation Jacana, will officially end July 4 with 1,400 troops beginning

to move out of Afghanistan.

“It was a worthwhile operation,” Mooney said. “As far as I am concerned, as far as Gen. Walker is concerned, this operation has been a success.”

“All of our soldiers performed a remarkable job on all they achieved,” said Gen. Michael Walker, chief of General staff. “We conducted operations that made life difficult for the enemy and we were very successful.”

Mooney stressed that their troops have had a serious influence on the way the Taliban operate and

Walker said the troops had maintained a high level of morale and responded to every task given to them.

“We have some of the world’s best soldiers,” Walker said.

“The future of Afghanistan ultimately is in the hands of the Afghan people,” Mooney said. “It is up to them, with as much help we give them, to start rebuilding this nation.”

About 2,000 British troops will remain in the Central Command area of operation to provide logistical support.

Safety Tip:

Do not point white light toward the flightline when exiting the Motel 6 driveway onto Disney Drive. The white light blinds the pilots.



Photo by Sgt. Kevin Bell

Col. Casser J. Nutter cuts the ceremonial ribbon to officially open the new Sultan Razia High School.

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years. Remarkably, the frame was structurally sound for the \$92,000 refurbishing project which repaired the roof, water, sewage, electricity, doors, windows and cosmetic work including outside masonry and painting.

The school rebuilding project is part of the humanitarian aid to the people of Afghanistan from the U.S. Army and CJCMOTF. America

and its coalition partners strongly support the re-emergence of Afghanistan’s educational system, most specifically, the return of girls to the school system.

Girls were not schooled under Taliban rule. Since 1996, there has been no system for female education and Sultan Razia’s headmaster Najeeba Rahmati stressed the importance

of helping girls grow into educated Afghan women so that they may serve their country in meaningful roles.

Col. Cassel J. Nutter, CJCMOTF commander, said that this project was dear to his heart, especially since his two daughters are schoolteachers. During the ceremony, Nutter wished that each time students at the school used the world map the

CJCMOTF presented to headmaster Rahmati, they would “think of the love of the American people for the people of Afghanistan.”

During the ceremony, which concluded with lunch, the presidents of the high school and primary education in Kabul thanked the coalition for the school’s rebuilding and assured parents and those in attendance that their children would be educated to the best of their abilities.

“If anyone breaks off one brick from this school; we cut off his hand. However, if anyone rebuilds a brick; we must kiss his hand,” said Mohammed Ajmal Faiz, the high school education president.

“CJCMOTF is continuing its support of education in Afghanistan by re-furbishing schools and specifically the opportunity for girls

to go back to school. The Sultan Razia project epitomizes this effort,” according to Nutter.

The U.S. Army’s humanitarian aid continues to partner civilian contractors in Afghanistan with the local contractors performing all the work. The CJCMOTF is the Coalition’s humanitarian assistance arm. Its mission is to facilitate continued good relations with local authorities and populations as well as identify and coordinate civil-military projects throughout Afghanistan.

Eighteen school projects have been completed in Herat, Mazar-e Sarif, Konduz, Bamian, Kabul and Khandahar and over a dozen other school projects are earmarked for completion in the weeks and months ahead all over Afghanistan.

HIND SIGHT

1683

William Penn signs friendship treaty with Lenni Lenape indians in Pennsylvania; only treaty “not sworn to, nor broken”

1775

1st regatta held in Thames, England

1868

Christopher Latham Sholes patents “Type-writer”

1972

Nixon & Haldeman agree to use CIA to cover up Watergate

1982

Himmy, of Australia, weighs in with the domestic cat weight record of 20.7 kg (45 lb)



Courtesy photo

International meeting

Italian commander Lt.Col. Sergio Stephani gives Coalition Joint Task Force 180 commander Lt. Gen. Dan McNeill a tour of Camp Azzurro at Bagram Air Base. The visit, which took place Wednesday, also included lunch in the Italian dining facility.

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Local weather

TWO-DAY AFGHANISTAN WEATHER REPORT:

	<u>Today</u>	<u>Monday</u>
<u>Bagram:</u>	Partly cloudy H: 100F L: 68F	Partly cloudy H: 99F L: 70F
<u>Kandahar:</u>	Haze H: 109F L: 70F	Haze H: 108F L: 72F
<u>Kabul:</u>	Haze H: 95F L: 68F	Partly Cloudy H: 93F L: 66F
<u>Uzbekistan:</u>	Partly Cloudy H: 103F L: 50F	Partly cloudy H: 103F L: 50F

Weather forecast courtesy of the Bagram Combat Weather Team

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COALITION SPORTSZONE

The Day in Sports

South Korea beats Spain on PKs

Hong Myung Bo converted the clinching penalty kick to lead South Korea into its first semifinal appearance. South Korea also becomes the first Asian country to reach the World Cup semifinals.

Senegal loses to Turkey in OT

Ilhan Mansiz came off the bench to put home Umit Davala's cross four minutes in the extra period as Turkey advances to the World Cup semifinals.

St. Louis pitcher Kile found dead

St. Louis pitcher Darryl Kile was found dead in the team hotel Saturday, apparently natural causes.

Kile was found in his bed and there were no signs of forced entry or foul play.

He won 133 games in his 11-year career for the Colorado Rockies, Houston Astros and St. Louis Cardinals.

Castillo's streak ends in 5-4 win

Luis Castillo went 0-4 and was left on deck when the Marlins rallied for a four-run ninth inning to beat Detroit.

MLB longest hitting streaks

1. Joe DiMaggio, 56 games, 1941
2. Willie Keeler, 44, 1897
2. Pete Rose, 44, 1987
4. Bill Dahlen, 42, 1894
5. George Sisler, 41, 1922
6. Ty Cobb, 40, 1911
7. Paul Molitor, 39, 1987
8. Tommy Holmes, 37, 1945
9. Billy Hamilton, 36, 1894
10. Fred Clarke, 35, 1895
10. Ty Cobb, 35, 1914
- 10. Luis Castillo, 35, 2002**
12. George McQuinn, 34, 1938
12. Dom DiMaggio, 34, 1949
12. Benito Santiago, 34, 1987
12. George Sisler, 34, 1925
12. George Davis, 33, 1893

2002 World Cup First Round Standings

Group A

x-Denmark	2-0-1	7
y-Senegal	1-0-2	5
Uruguay	0-1-2	2
France	0-2-1	1

Group B

x-Spain	3-0-0	9
y-Paraguay	1-1-1	4
South Africa	1-1-1	4
Slovenia	0-3-0	0

Group C

x-Brazil	3-0-0	9
y-Turkey	1-1-1	4
Costa Rica	1-1-1	4
China	0-3-0	0

Group D

x-South Korea	2-0-1	7
y-United States	1-1-1	4
Portugal	1-2-0	3
Poland	1-2-0	3

Group E

x-Germany	2-0-1	7
y-Ireland	1-0-2	5
Cameroon	1-1-1	4
Saudi Arabia	0-3-0	0

Group F

x-Sweden	1-0-2	5
y-England	1-0-2	5
Argentina	1-1-1	4
Nigeria	0-2-1	1

Group G

x-Mexico	2-0-1	7
y-Italy	1-1-1	4
Croatia	1-2-0	3
Ecuador	1-2-0	3

Group H

x-Japan	2-0-1	7
y-Belgium	1-0-2	5
Russia	1-2-0	3
Tunisia	0-2-1	1

World Cup second round schedule

Germany 1-0 Paraguay
 England 3-0 Denmark
 Senegal 2-1, OT, Sweden
 Spain 1-1 Ireland (Spain advances 3-2 PKs)
 United States 2-0 Mexico
 Brazil 2-0 Belgium
 Turkey 1-0 Japan
 South Korea 2-1, OT, Italy

World Cup quarterfinals

Germany 1-0 United States
 Brazil 1-0 England
 Turkey 1-0, OT, Senegal
 South Korea 0-0 Spain (S. Korea wins 5-3 in PKs)

World Cup semifinals

Tuesday — Germany v. South Korea
 Wednesday — Brazil v. Turkey

World Cup Final @ Yokohama, Japan

June 30 — Semifinal winners